A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Food).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Rice is released for utilisation in the various Districts consistent with the requirements of the Districts and the availability of the stocks of rice with Government.

Small Scale Industries.

Q.—128. Sri R. S. HEGDE (Honnavar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount of Small Scale Industries loans earmarked to North Kanara District during the III Plan period ;

(*b*) how many artisans in the above district are benefitted by it ;

(*c*) how many applications are under scrutiny ?

A.—Sri K. MALLAPPA (Minister for Industries of Commerce).—

(*a*) The total provision in the III Plan for loans to Small Scale Industries for the entire State is as detailed below :—

Small Scale Industries	...	54.30 lakhs
Craft Co-operative Societies	...	26.00 lakhs
Handlooms	...	61.83 lakhs
Handicrafts	...	7.30 lakhs
Coir	...	4.47 lakhs

Of this, no particular amount has been earmarked for North Kanara District.

(*b*) 1106 artisans.

(*c*) 27.

Dam site at Siddapur.

Q.—171. Sri S. RUDRAPPA (Kalgi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Dam site at Siddapur on Upper Krishna Project has been approved ;

(*b*) what is the total outlay so far on Almatti Dam.

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Approved.

(*b*) Rs. 83 lakhs on works and establishment upto end of 30th September., 1965.

Hathikoni Project.

Q.—173. Sri. S. RUDRAPPA (Kalgi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a revised estimate for Hathikoni Project has been prepared;

(*b*) what is the total outlay so far on the Project;

(*c*) what is the progress of the work so far on the Project ?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 34.99 lakhs to end of September 1965.

(*c*) The project is under various stages of construction, as per note enclosed.

Preliminary works such as investigation, for dam, waste weir, roads and canals are completed. Construction of residential and office building are completed. 95 per cent of the approach road to dam site is completed.

The acquisition of land for dam and submergence and borrow pits and for the approach road is completed. The land acquisition for waste weir draft and canal is under progress.

The excavation for foundation and key trench and filling of foundation in all reaches except in gerge portion is completed to the extent of 55 per cent. The earth work on both the flanks is in progress. It is scheduled to be completed by July 1966.

The work of waste weir and draft channel is in progress. The concreting of the buckets apron and the masonry work for wings is nearly complete. The design of draft channel and its allignment are finalised and work is in progress. Nearly 35 per cent of work is completed.

The irrigation sluice is completed except for well portion and erecting of shutters.

The excavation of irrigation canal is also under progress. Nearly two miles of canal is already excavated in the head reaches. The balance work is being taken up, after the disposal of tenders. The work is expected to be completed by May 1966.